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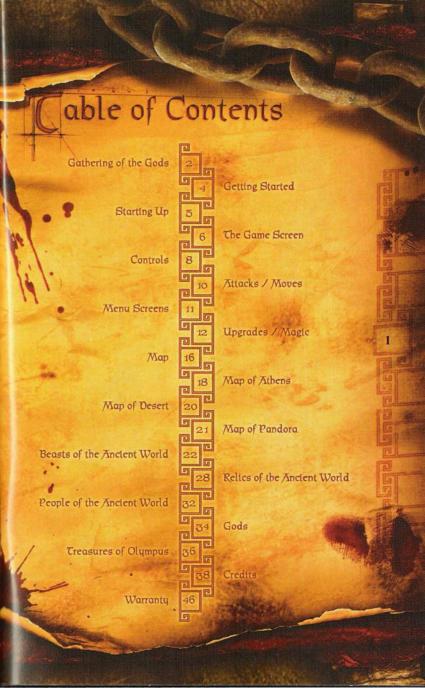
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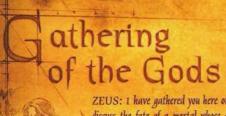
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GOD OF WAR

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ZEUS: 1 have gathered you here on this holiest of grounds to discuss the fate of a mortal whose actions 1 sense could have grave implications to all of us here on Mount Olympus.

father, it is Kratos of whom you speak. I have been his patron goddess these last 10 years as he has fought to stave off madness and earn our forgiveness.

ATHENA: My lord, my

ARES: The man is a fool. He turned his back on a gift so –

ZEUS: Enough, Ares. 1 know what he has done. And, might I add, I know why he did it. You should be ashumed.

ATHENA: Ares' actions were brutal, as always, My Lord. My oracles warn me that even now Ares is marshalling his forces to attack and destroy my fair city.

ARES: Athens, so called city of art, city of culture. It is nothing more than a fistering pit filled with flabby aristocrats. Athens is a blight on mother Gaia herself! I will destroy your city, my dear sister.

ATHENA: Not if I stop you, my brother.

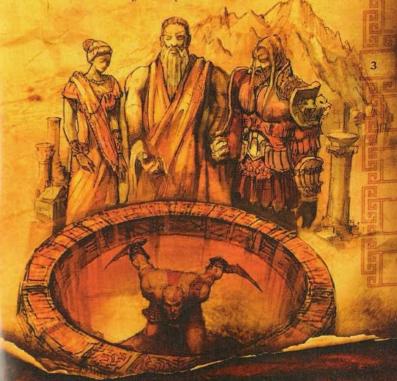
ZEUS: Enough, both of you. Your childish quibbles are your own, but 1 do not want this war encroaching on the steps

of Mount Olympus. We have other worries. Kratos may very well alter the course of all our destinies.

ATHENA: He is quite insane, my lord. But he is strong.

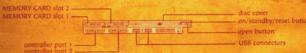
ARES: On that, we can agree.

ZEUS: Yes...he is strong. But one day he may grow too strong for his own good. And for ours.

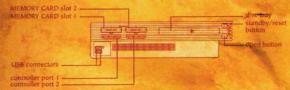


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PlayStation'2 computer entertainment system (slim):



PlayStation'2 computer entertainment system (original):



SETTING UP YOUR PLAYSTATION 2 CONSOLE

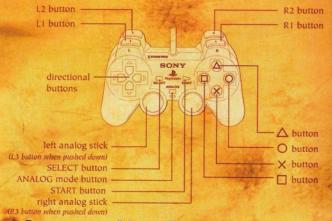
Set up your PlayStation®2 console according to the instructions in the manual. Make sure the MAIN POWER switch (located in the back of the console) is turned ON. Press the RESET button. When the power indicator turns green, press the OPEN ICON button and the disc tray will open. Place the God of War™ disc on the disc tray with the label side facing up. Press the OPEN button again and the disc tray will close. Attach a DUALSHOCK 2 analog controller and other peripherals, as appropriate. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

MEMORY CARD (8MB)(for PLAYSTATION°2)

To save game settings and progress, insert a memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation 2) into memory card slot 1 or memory card slot 2 of your PlayStation 2 console. You can load saved game data from any memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation 2) containing previously saved data. NOTE: Unlocked Treasure Content on any memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation 2) inserted into memory card slot 1 or memory card slot 2 is automatically loaded at boot. If the PlayStation 2 console is booted without a memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation 2) containing Unlocked Treasure Content, all Treasure Content will remain locked. All available Unlocked Treasure Content from both memory cards will be saved to the selected memory card whenever the game is saved.

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DUALSHOCK®2 ANALOG CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS

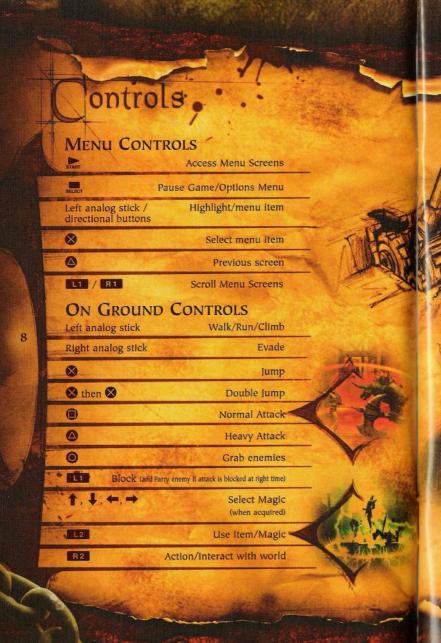


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STARTING A NEW GAME AND GAME SAVES

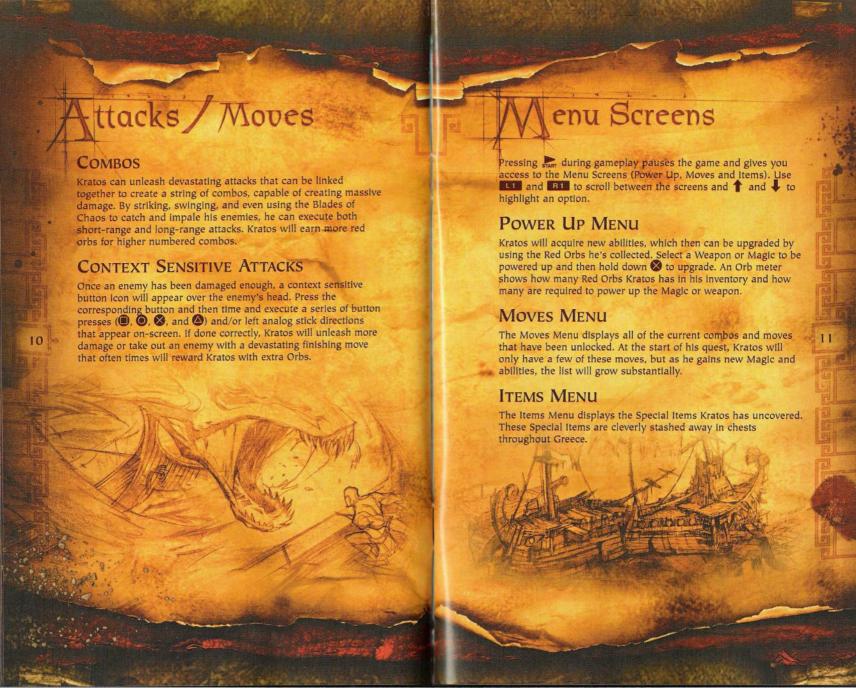
Choose New Game at the Main Menu. Game progress is saved at certain points in the game when activating a Save Altar by pressing B2. When asked if you would like to create a God of War save file, choose Yes and press God of War has slots for up to four different save files. God of War offers four different difficulty configurations: Mortal = Easy, Hero = Normal, Spartan = Hard and God (Very Hard). Note: God of War must be completed in Mortal, Hero or Spartan Mode to unlock God Mode. If you want to resume a saved game, select Load at the Main Menu and then choose the save file you wish to load.





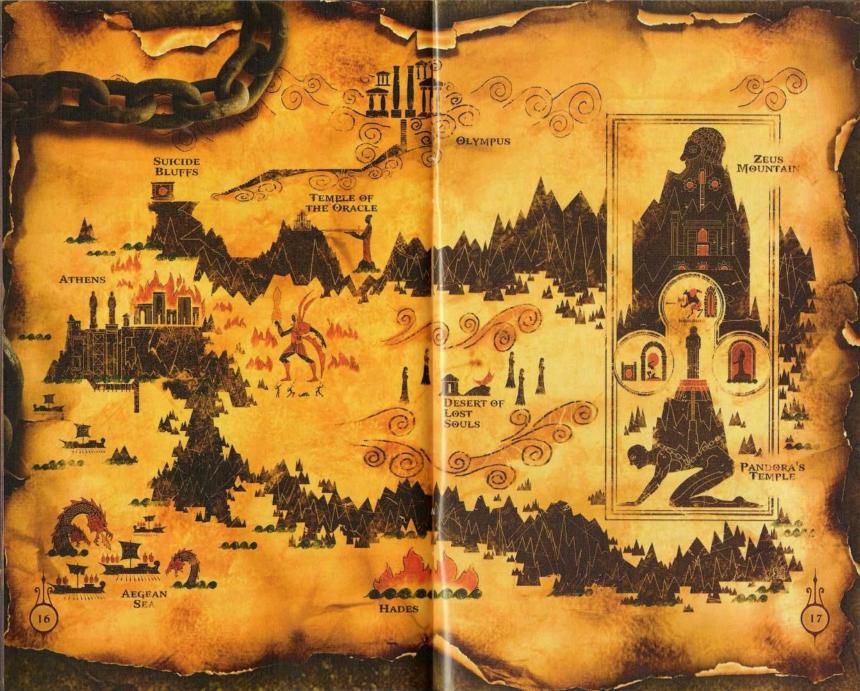
Rage of the Gods (pressed simultaneously) (when Rage Meter is full) Launch and follow enemy into the Air (when launching enemy in air) Super Jump (when an enemy is in air) Chain Grab Access Menu Screens Hold R2 and press To Kick Objects to charge and release IN AIR BASICS Horizontal Attack Vertical Attack (when Kratos and enemy are in air) Air Grab L1 Block Directional buttons

↑, ↓, ←, → Select Magic (when acquired) L2 Use Item/Magic R1 Hercules Stomp (hold) Rope Swing (when hanging on a rope)

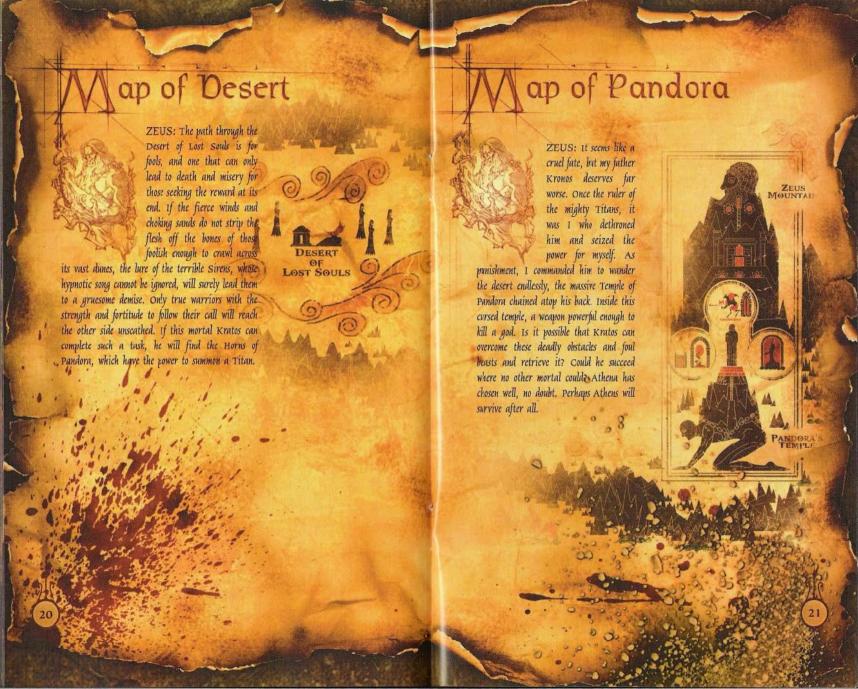


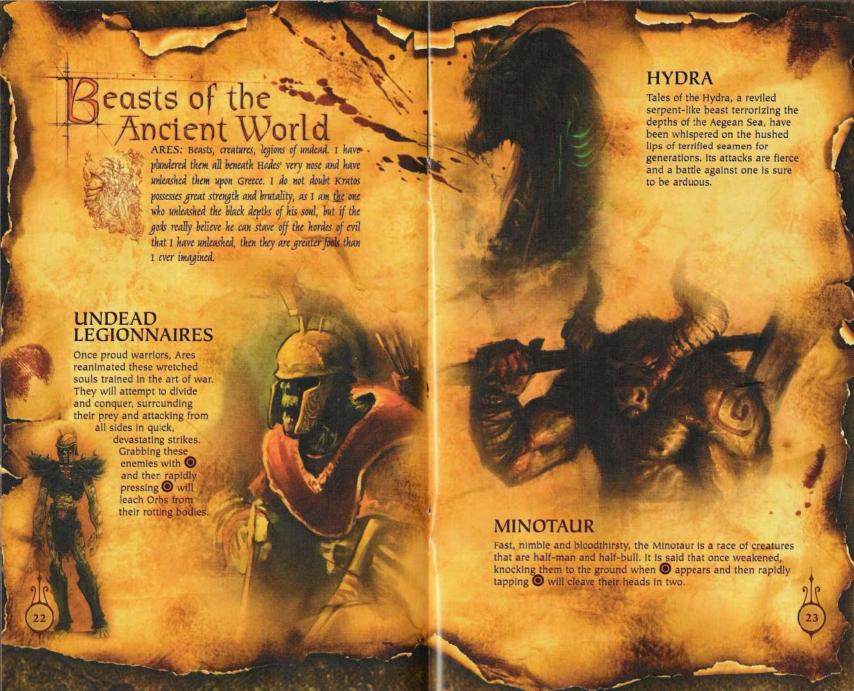
















Relics of the Ancient World

ORBS

These Orbs come in three different colors: Red, Green and Blue – each serving a distinct purpose. Red Orbs are Power Up Orbs, which can be used to upgrade Kratos' weapons and Magic abilities.

Red Orbs can be found by destroying environmental objects, from fallen enemies, opening glowing red chests and non-glowing chests.

Green Orbs are Health Orbs and will refill Kratos' Health Meter. Green Orbs can be gained by killing enemies and opening glowing green chests.

Blue Orbs are Magic Orbs and refill Kratos' Magic Meter. Blue Orbs can be collected off of fallen enemies, as well as from glowing blue chests.

CHESTS

Throughout his quest, Kratos will often find chests – some of which are cleverly hidden within the environment. These chests hold a variety of useful items that will surely aid the warrior in his quest. To open a chest, stand in front of it and press and hold R2.





SAVE ALTAR

A glowing ray of light from the gods will provide a vessel from which Kratos will be able to save his progress. Any time you come across one of these Save Altars, step into the light and press to save your game.



GORGON EYES

Gorgon's Eyes are imbued with mysterious life giving properties. It is said that by collecting six eyes from a Gorgon, your Health Meter will increase one level.



The magical feathers of the mythical phoenix have the power to grant their owner enhanced magic. It is said that by collecting six of them, your Magic Meter will increase by one level.



Poseidon's Trident

The Trident of Lord Poseidon. Once found, Kratos will be able to swim and breathe underwater. To swim up, hold (a), to swim down, hold (a) and to dash with a speed burst, hold (b) to charge and then release.



HADES' SHIELD

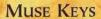
One of two shields used by the gods in the war against the Titans, when used in conjunction with a second shield, Hades' shield holds the power to grant passage deeper into Pandora's Temple. Beware of traps that may befall those who attempt to take it.





Zeus' Shield

The second of two shields used by the gods in the war against the Titans, Zeus' shield, when set within its place of honor along another, will grant passage deeper into Pandora's Temple.



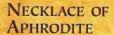
The Muses are the daughters of Zeus. As the goddesses of music, poetry, the arts, and science, the Muses embodied the more civilized aspects of human existence. Only two of the Muse keys exist in the world. If uncovered, they may lead their owner to untold riches.





NECKLACE OF HERA

A beautiful piece of jewelry only befit for a god. Hidden deep inside the Temple of Pandora, when found and used in conjunction with a second necklace, its powers may reveal new paths.



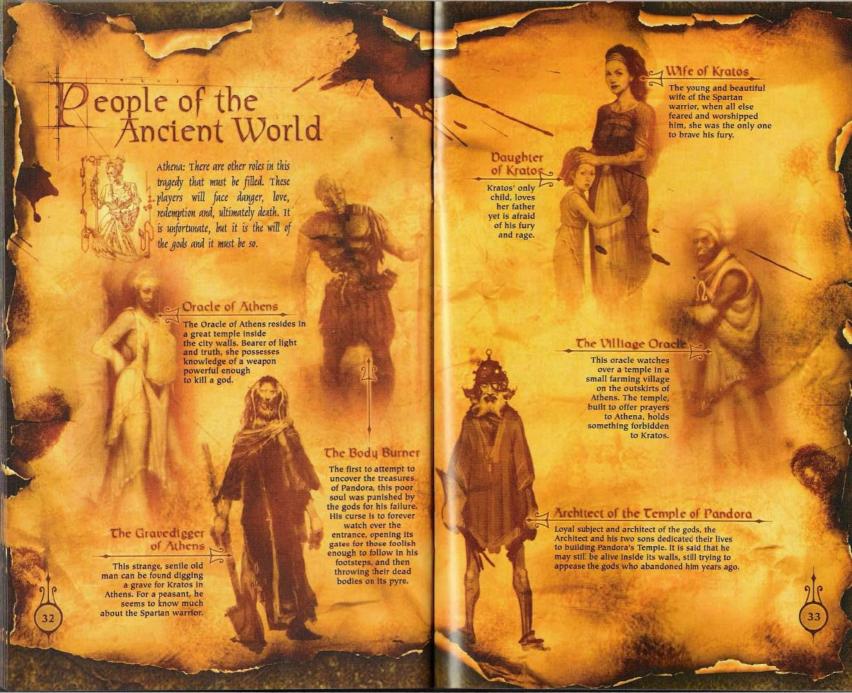
A second necklace hidden inside the Temple of Pandora. When paired with it's sister, this mysterious trinket may help its owner continue his quest.





NYADS

They are known to preside over bodies of fresh-water. Kiss these daughters of Poseidon when you encounter them, if you can catch them.



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ATHENA

Athena is the daughter of Zeus. She is a fierce and brave warrior, but only fights when her city is in peril from outside enemies. She is the goddess of the city of Athens and is the embodiment of wisdom, reason, and purity.



Second only in eminence to his brother, Zeus, Poseidon is the ruler of the Seas. Carrying a trident with which he can shake and shatter whatever he pleases, Poseidon can bring the rage of the ocean down upon those who anger him.

zeus

The supreme ruler of the Gods, Zeus reigns over the sky, while his brothers Poseidon and Hades rule the Seas and underworld. As lord of the sky and rain, Zeus wields deadly thunderbolts, which he can hurl at those who displease him.



ARES

The God of War, Ares is the son of Zeus and Hera, both of whom detest him. Considered murderous and bloodstained, Ares is also a coward and will find and manipulate others to do his bidding.

ARTEMIS

Apollo's twin sister and daughter of Zeus, Artemis is one of the three maiden goddesses of Olympus. As overseer of the wilderness, the hunt and wild animals, Artemis protects them fiercely using her giant blade.



APHRODITE

Daughter of Zeus, Aphrodite is the goddess of love and beauty. Filled with light and love, Aphrodite possesses the power to steal away the hearts of gods and mortals alike.

HADES

The underworld is hidden in the earth — a joyless place where the dead slowly fade into nothingness. It is the kingdom of the dead and ruled over by Hades, brother of Zeus and god of the underworld. Hades is a greedy god who is greatly concerned with increasing his subjects.



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UNLOCKED AT BEGINNING OF GOD OF WAR

THE MAKING OF GOD OF WAR

Learn how God of War went from single idea to finished game. Press \bigotimes to play.

GOD OF WAR TRAILERS

(BOTH ORIGINAL TEASER AND MAGIC TEASER)

Internet trailers used to introduce God of War.

Press to play Trailer 1.
Press to play Trailer 2.

DEFEAT THE GAME ON MORTAL/HERO/SPARTAN MODE

CREDITS

The Creative Team behind God of War. Beat the game to unlock.

DELETED LEVELS

See levels that were cut from God of War. Beat the game to unlock.

HEROIC POSSIBILITIES

See the evolution of Kratos. Beat the game to unlock.

VISIONS OF ANCIENT GREECE

See how the levels of God of War were designed. Beat the game to unlock.

MONSTERS OF MYTH

See how the monsters of God of War were designed. Beat the game to unlock.

THE BIRTH OF THE BEAST

Discover a secret from Kratos' past. Could this be his next adventure? Beat the game to unlock.

GOD MODE

The most difficult version of God of War. Advanced players only. Beat the game to unlock

CHARACTER GRAVEYARD

Visit the Character Graveyard and see 3D models that did not make it into the game. Beat the game to unlock.

CHALLENGE OF THE GODS

10 Rooms, 10 challenges. Can you make it to the end? Beat the game to unlock.

IN-GAME MOVIES

Watch All the In-Game Movies. Beat the game to unlock.

DEFEAT THE GAME ON SPARTAN MODE (ONLY)

A SECRET REVEALED

Discover the secret of Kratos' family. Where will this discovery lead? Beat God Mode to unlock.

THE FATE OF THE TITAN

What has become of Kronos the Titan? Beat God Mode to unlock.

SECRET MESSAGE 1

(beat the game on God Mode - God Mode Finale)

DEFEAT THE GOD OF WAR CHALLENGES

ADDITIONAL COSTUMES

New costumes for Kratos.

Beat the Challenge of the Gods to unlock.

SECRET MESSAGE 2

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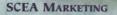
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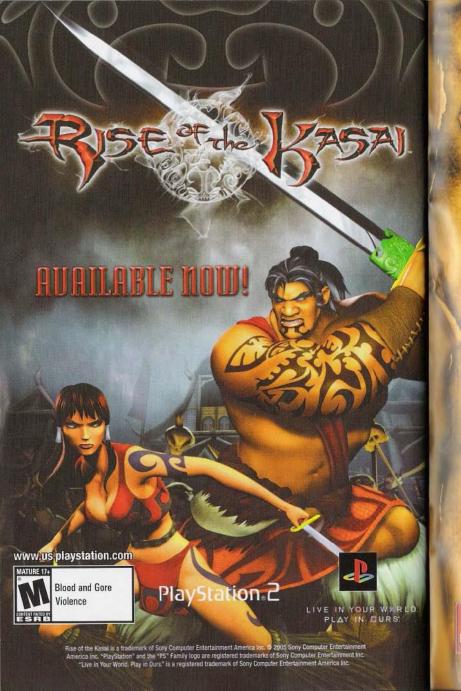
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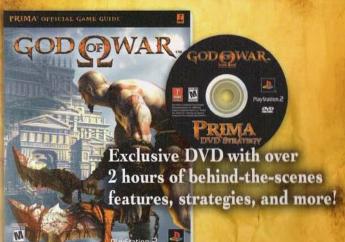




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